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TOUGH, WIRY
GENERAL BERNARD
LAW MONTGOMERY,
WHOSE SMASHING
VICTORY OVER
GENERAL ROMMEL'S
AXIS ARMY IN
AFRICA WAS A
MAJOR VICTORY
OF
WORLD WAR II.

ALTHOUGH MONTGOMERY'S FATHER AND
GRANDFATHER WERE BOTH CLERGYMEN...

REVEREND, YOUNG BEN
DOESN'T INTEND TO
FOLLOW IN YOUR
FOOTSTEPS!

NO, HE'S
ALREADY
DREAMING
OF
SANDHURST.

THE GREAT MILITARY COLLEGE, SANDHURST, BRITAIN'S WEST
POINT...

THIS IS THE
REAL THING!
WONDER HOW
A MONTGOMERY
WILL DO AS A
SOLDIER!

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WHEN THE WAR ENDED, MONTGOMERY WAS A LIEUTENANT-COLONEL, WITH A D.S.O. AND CROIX DE GUERRE TO HIS CREDIT.



HIS CONSTANT STUDY OF THE LATEST MILITARY TACTICS CAME IN HANDY FOR HIM WHEN WORLD WAR II BROKE OUT IN 1939.



THE GERMANS HAVE PREPARED FOR THIS ATTACK FOR YEARS, GENTLEMEN, BUT WE MUST TRY TO STOP THEM AT ALL COSTS!



BELGIUM'S QUICK ARMISTICE WITH GERMANY LEFT MONTGOMERY'S ARMY POCKETED, FACING COMPLETE DESTRUCTION.

RETREATING IS SLOW BECAUSE OF REFUGES ON THE ROAD!

NOW, IF YOU WERE A NAZI, YOU'D MOW THEM DOWN!



GERMANY'S LEGIONS SWEEPED THROUGH BELGIUM AND THE LOWLANDS.



DUNKIRK...MONTGOMERY HELPED TO EVACUATE MAJOR PORTIONS OF BRITISH FORCES.



WE SHALL MAKE THEM PAY FOR THEIR TREACHERY AND BRUTALITY! THIS WAR IS NOT OVER YET!



AS LONDON WITHSTOOD THE GREAT AIR BLITZ OF 1940-41, MONTGOMERY TRAINED HIS MEN FOR THAT COMEBACK!



EVERY MAN
MUST HAVE
THE LIGHT
OF BATTLE
IN HIS
EYE!

MONTGOMERY'S SOUTHEASTERN COMMAND BECAME KNOWN AS A "SPARTAN ARMY".



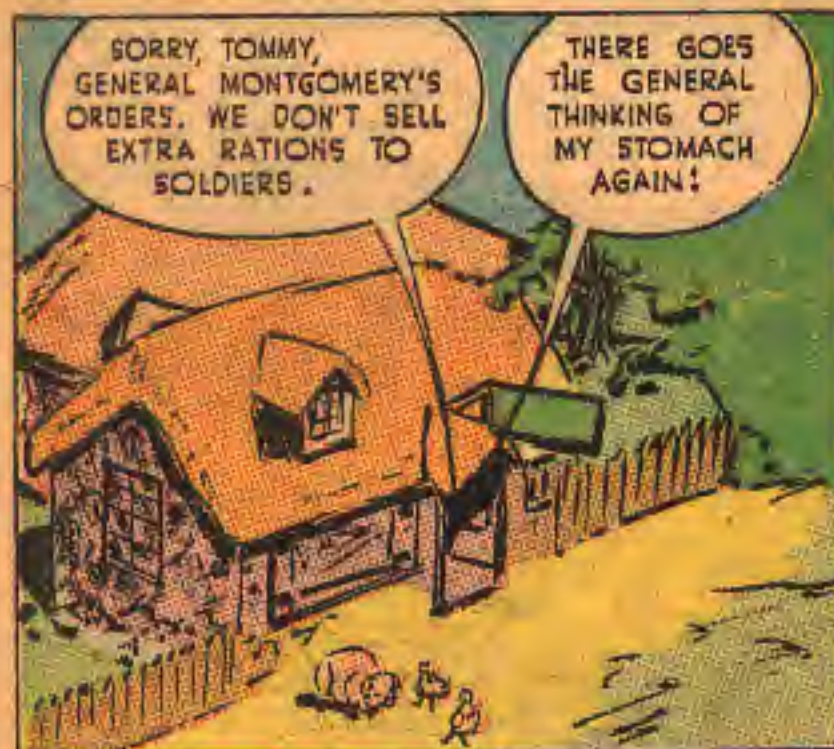
PHIEW!
SEVEN
MILES AT
MY AGE!

WELL, OLD BOY,
WE'RE ALL UNDER
45. MONTGOMERY'S
ORDERS, YOU
KNOW!

I SAY, HE'S
A QUARTER-
MILE AHEAD OF
US—AND HE'S
OVER 50!

SORRY, TOMMY,
GENERAL MONTGOMERY'S
ORDERS. WE DON'T SELL
EXTRA RATIONS TO
SOLDIERS.

THERE GOES
THE GENERAL
THINKING OF
MY STOMACH
AGAIN!



AND MONTGOMERY HIMSELF PLANNED DAY AND NIGHT FOR THE "NEW ROUND".



THE OLD BOY
NEVER SLEEPS
ANY MORE
DOES HE?

HE PUSHES
HIMSELF EVEN
HARDER THAN
HE DOES US!
HE'LL WHIP THE
HUNS NEXT
TIME!

AT LAST—MONTGOMERY'S COMMAND SET SAIL.



WONDER
WHERE WE'RE
HEADED?

ASK THE
GENERAL—HE
DOESN'T CONFIDE
IN ME!

NOW THAT WE'RE AT
SEA, I CAN TELL YOU
GENTLEMEN! OUR
NEXT STOP IS
EGYPT!



AUGUST 18, 1942 - MONTGOMERY RECEIVED HIS ORDERS FROM CHURCHILL...

YOU WILL COMMAND THE ENTIRE 8TH ARMY OF THE Nile, GENERAL. I HAVE EVERY CONFIDENCE THAT THIS NEXT ROUND WILL BE OURS!

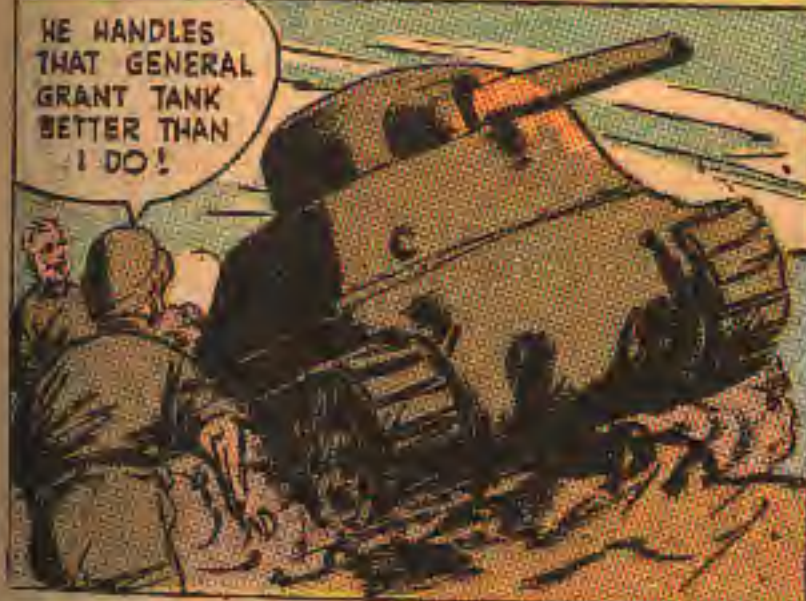
WE SHALL DO BETTER THAN OUR BEST, SIR!

MONTGOMERY'S PROBLEM WAS TO CUT OFF ROMMEL FROM HIS SUPPLY ROUTES.



AS AMERICAN AND BRITISH SUPPLIES POURED IN, MONTGOMERY PERSONALLY TESTED EVERY SINGLE TYPE OF EQUIPMENT.

HE HANDLES THAT GENERAL GRANT TANK BETTER THAN I DO!



I'D LIKE TO HAVE HAVE HIM FOR MY TAIL GUNNER!



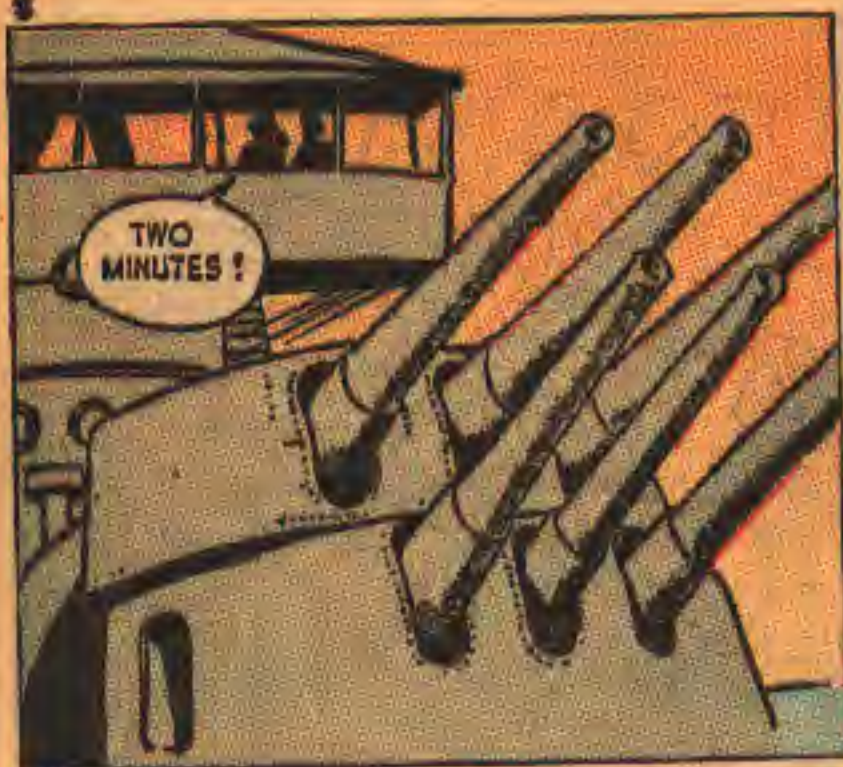
THAT OUGHT TO STOP THE NAZI MARK V TANKS!



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29TH, THREE HOURS BEFORE THE OFFENSIVE BEGAN...

WE HAVE ONE PLAN, ONE IDEA IN MIND. WE WORK AS A UNIT—ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE. WE MUST DESTROY THE ENEMY COMPLETELY!





FROM LAND, SEA AND AIR, THE BRITISH CONVERGED ON ROMMEL'S AFRICA CORPS !



MONTGOMERY'S CAREFULLY LAID PLANS WORKED PERFECTLY !



THE CAPTURED COMMANDING NAZI GENERAL RITTER VON THOMA WAS ENTERTAINED BY MONTGOMERY.

HERE'S WHERE YOU MADE YOUR BIG MISTAKE, GENERAL!

JA, YOU ARE RIGHT!



THE RETREAT THAT TURNED INTO A ROUT WAS INCESSANTLY HAMMERED FROM THE AIR.

GOOD SHOT! DIRECT HIT!

THERE'S NO PERCENTAGE IN BEING A GERMAN TODAY!



GENERAL BERNARD MONTGOMERY

GENERAL DWIGHT "IKE" EISENHOWER

WITH THE ROUT OF GENERAL ROMMEL'S AFRICA CORPS, THE BRITISH, JOINED BY THE YANKS UNDER GENERAL EISENHOWER, HAD STARTED THE BIG PUSH TO CLEAN THE AXIS OUT OF AFRICA!

WOLVES EAT RAILROAD!

BUILDING RAILROADS WAS ONCE CONSIDERED A DARING INVESTMENT OF TIME AND MONEY! NEVERTHELESS, DORSEY BAKER AND JOSEPH LADD, WASHINGTON BUSINESS MEN, DECIDED TO ERECT THEIR OWN RAILROAD!

WASHINGTON

OREGON

DORSEY (DOC) BAKER - PIONEER MERCHANT AND RICHEST MAN IN WALLA WALLA, CALLED HIS TEAMSTERS IN FOR A CONFERENCE.



LADD'S BANK
PORTLAND, ORE.

Philadelphians,
Gentlemen: please find
advance payment of two locomotives
and 100 lbs. wheels. Deliver to
Mr. Dorsey Baker of Walla Walla.
No steel rails are required. Expenses
in excess of the enclosed amount
may be deducted from my
account in the Herold Bank in
Philadelphia.
Hoping you will take care
of this order as soon as possible
I remain,
Most cordially yours,
Joseph Ladd

AFTER MANY MONTHS, AND BY VARIOUS MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION, THE LETTER FINALLY REACHED PHILADELPHIA.



SOON THE FORESTS OF WASHINGTON RANG WITH THE STROKES OF AXES AS A RIGHT OF WAY WAS CLEARED.



THE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, A COWBOY NAMED GREEN, USED A WHISKEY BOTTLE AND A CARPENTER'S SQUARE IN MAKING THE GRADES AND CURVES. HE DID THE JOB SO WELL THAT A BRANCH OF THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD USES THE SAME ROADBED TODAY!



FINALLY THE ROAD WAS COMPLETED - WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CERTAIN SMALL DETAILS!

SAY, DOC, WHY DON'T YOU SPIKE DOWN THAT OTHER RAIL?

WE DON'T KNOW YET HOW FAR APART THE WHEELS ARE!



MEANWHILE THE LOCOMOTIVES WERE BEING SHIPPED AROUND THE HORN.



20,000 MILES FROM PHILADELPHIA TO PORTLAND!



FOR WEEKS LADD KEPT TWO INDIANS ON THE RIVER NIGHT AND DAY AWAITING ORDERS.



THEN AT LAST, JOSEPH LADD APPEARED ON THE WHARF AT PORTLAND.



HERE IS THE BIG MEDICINE WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR. TAKE IT TO DOC BAKER, WALLA WALLA!



HOW CAN STICK BE BIG MEDICINE? BURN IT UP!

NO! NO! WE TAKE TO DOC BAKER!

AND BIG MEDICINE IT WAS! THE STICK WAS TO BE USED AS A CRUDE RAIL GAUGE TO MEASURE DISTANCES BETWEEN RAILS!



HURRAH, BOYS! THE RAIL GAUGE ARRIVED! SPIKE DOWN THE RAILS! THE LOCOMOTIVES ARE DOWN NEAR PORTLAND! I WANT YOU TO HAUL 'EM UP TO WALLA WALLA.

WE WON'T DIG OUR OWN GRAVES!

THOSE WISHRAM INDIANS ARE JUST WAITING TO TAKE OUR SCALPS!

BUT THAT NIGHT DOC BAKER WROTE A LETTER TO SAN FRANCISCO!



A FEW DAYS LATER, IN THE OFFICE OF STONE AND O'BRIEN, SAN FRANCISCO.

LOOK, BOSS! A LETTER FROM DOC BAKER! WANTS 500 PLUG HATS! IS THIS A JOKE?

DOC BAKER DOESN'T JOKE THAT WAY. PLUG HATS OR GLASS EYES - SEND 'EM ALONG!



DOC BAKER KNEW THE GREATEST GIFT A WHITE MAN COULD BESTOW UPON AN INDIAN WAS A PLUG HAT!

HE LOOKS LIKE A DUDE!

YOU SURE LOOK LIKE BIG WAMPUM, CHIEF!

NOW WE GLAD TO HELP WHITE MAN!



AND SO THE TWO LOCOMOTIVES WITH 100 EXTRA CAR WHEELS WERE HAULED UP THE RIVER TO WALLULA BY THE ONCE HOSTILE WISHRAM INDIANS.



AT LAST THE GREAT DAY ARRIVED! THE LOCOMOTIVE WAS PLACED ON THE RAILS AT WALLULA. AS THE SPEECH OF VICTORY WAS BEING DELIVERED, THE LOCOMOTIVE'S SAFETY VALVE EXPLODED!

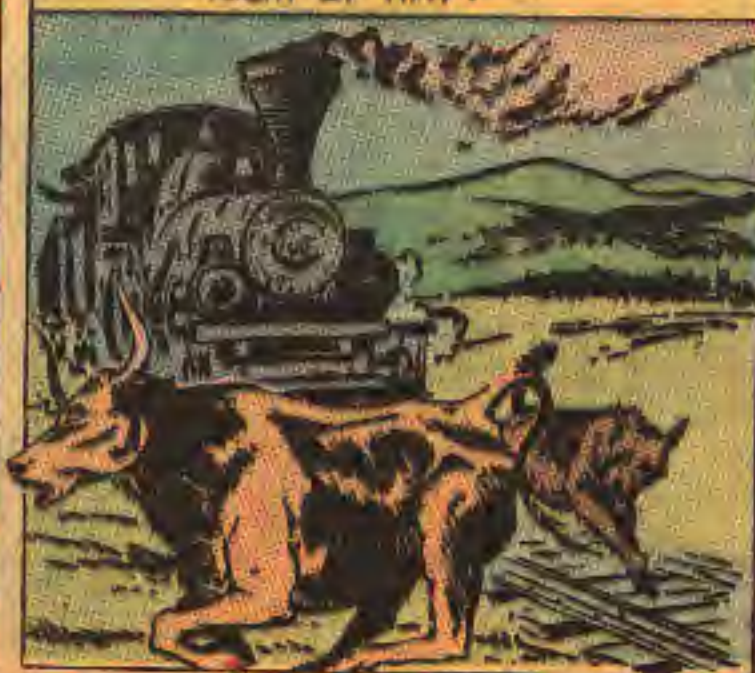


WHEN AT LAST THE TRAIN BEGAN TO RUN, MORE PROBLEMS AROSE.

WE'VE BEEN KILLING TOO MANY CATTLE, BEN. CAN YOU DO ANYTHING TO SAVE US THIS LOSS?

WELL, MR. BAKER, I DON'T KNOW BUT I HAVE AN IDEA!

THE IDEA-DOGS WERE TRAINED TO RIDE ON PLATFORMS IN FRONT OF TRAINS. WHEN CATTLE APPEARED ON THE TRACK AHEAD, THEY LEAPED TO THE GROUND AND CHASED THE TRESPASSERS FROM THE RIGHT OF WAY!



BUT NOW A THREAT AROSE AGAINST THE VERY EXISTENCE OF THE RAILROAD.

MR. BAKER, WE CAN'T RUN THESE TRAINS MUCH LONGER - THE RAILS ARE ALL SPUTTING FASTER THAN WE CAN FIX THEM!



DOC BAKER, ALARMED, CALLED TOGETHER HIS TEAMSTERS.



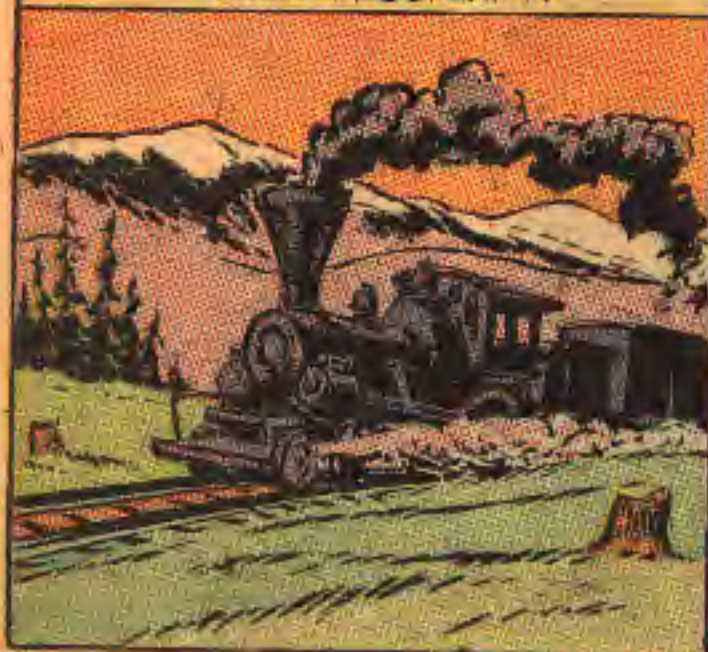
THAT'S A FIRST CLASS IDEA, SON!



AS THE RAWHIDE HARDENED IN THE SUN, IT BOUND THE RAILS IN AN IRON GRIP! THIRTY-FIVE MILES OF SPLINTERED RAILS WERE REMOVED AND THE WHOLE LINE SHEATHED WITH RAWHIDE!



AND SO THE RAILROAD WAS SAVED! FOR SEVERAL YEARS THEREAFTER, IT ENJOYED GREAT PROSPERITY.



THEN CAME THE WINTER OF "THE GREAT COLD". DEER, ELK AND CATTLE WERE FROZEN IN DROVES. LARGE PACKS OF WOLVES RANGED THE TERRITORY IN SEARCH OF FOOD.





IT WAS ALL TOO TRUE! THE WOLVES, FRANTIC WITH HUNGER, HAD DUG THROUGH THE HEAVY BLANKET OF SNOW AND DEVoured EVERY SCRAP OF RAWHIDE ON THE RAILS, PUTTING THE PACIFIC COAST'S FIRST RAILROAD PERMANENTLY OUT OF BUSINESS.



TWO WEEKS LATER, DOC BAKER SUMMONED HIS FORMER TEAMSTERS TO HIS GENERAL STORE.



BUT THE TEAMSTERS WERE WRONG!
TODAY A BRANCH OF THE UNION
PACIFIC RAILROAD RUNS
OVER THE VERY SAME
ROADBED LAID BY A MAN
OF VISION, DOC BAKER!



SUBMARINE -IN 1776!



NEW YORK, SEPTEMBER 1776, DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION...

IT LOOKS HOPELESS, GENERAL WASHINGTON. THE BRITISH FLEET HAS OUR ARMY COOPED UP HERE ON MANHATTAN ISLAND.

IF WE CAN'T GET AWAY, WE'RE LOST!



GENERAL WASHINGTON! THERE'S SOME CRAZY FOOL OUT HERE INSISTS ON SEEING YOU.

LET HIM IN.





ON A BRITISH MAN O' WAR...

LOOK AT THAT!
WHAT A QUEER
FISH!

WELL, AMERICA'S
A VERY QUEER
COUNTRY.



PANIC - STRICKEN, THE BRITISH FLEET
FLED TO SAFER WATERS.

WEIGH
ANCHOR!

LET'S GET OUT
OF HERE!

A MIGHTY
"QUEER FISH".

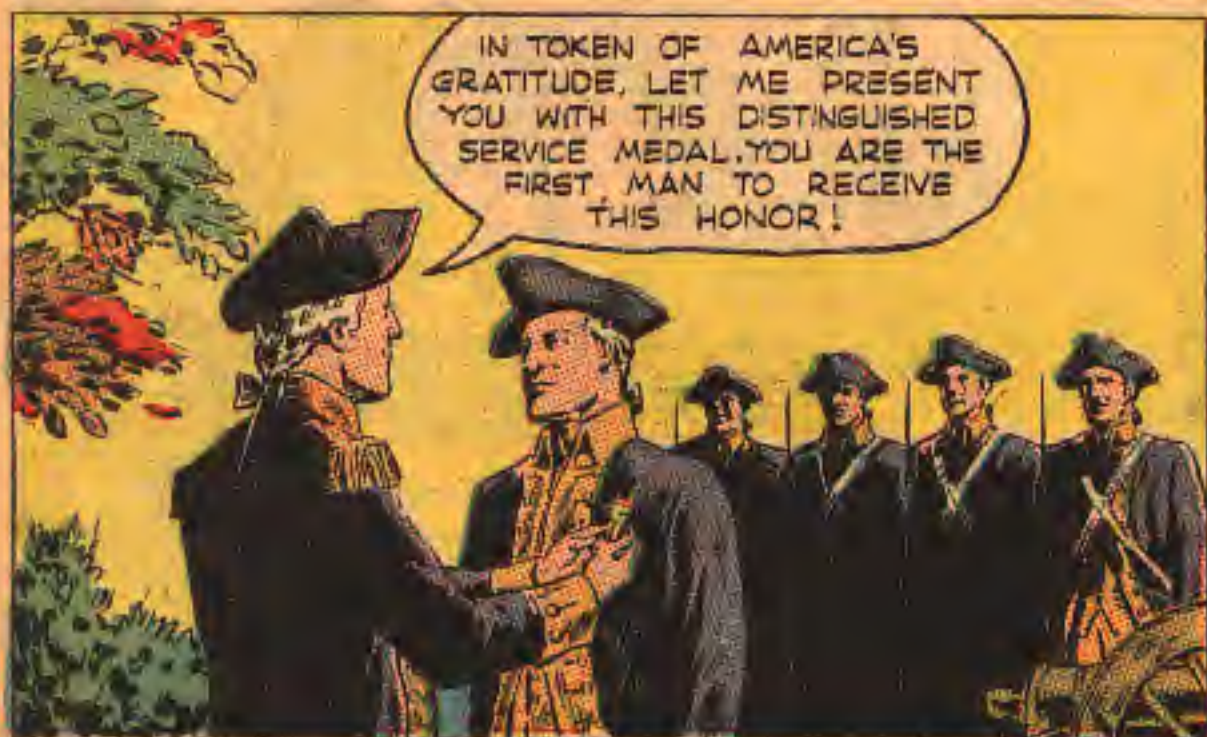


CONGRATULATIONS,
MR. LEE! THE
SUBMARINE WAS
A SUCCESS!

NOW WE
CAN GET OUR
ARMY ACROSS
TO NEW
JERSEY.



IN TOKEN OF AMERICA'S
GRATITUDE, LET ME PRESENT
YOU WITH THIS DISTINGUISHED
SERVICE MEDAL. YOU ARE THE
FIRST MAN TO RECEIVE
THIS HONOR!



FROM THE CRUDE
CRAFT THAT
FRIGHTENED THE
BRITISH, AMERICA
HAS DEVELOPED
ITS DARING
"UNDERWATER NAVY"
OF TODAY -
THE SUBMARINE
FLEET THAT RANGES
THE SEVEN SEAS
TO DEFEND ITS
HOMELAND, TO DEFEAT
THE ENEMY!

IS IT TRUE?

BY NATALIE PURVIN PRAGER
ORIGINATOR OF THE MARCH OF GAMES RADIO QUIZ

Can YOU answer these Questions?

CHECK "YES" IF TRUE, OR "NO" UNDER EACH PICTURE.
DON'T LOOK NOW, BUT THE CORRECT ANSWERS ARE
ON PAGE 65. SEE IF YOU CAN STICK YOUR
FRIENDS, AND MOTHER AND DAD ON THEM!



1 IS IT TRUE THAT
CURTIS BILL WAS
AN INDIAN GUIDE?
YES ☐ NO ☐



2 IS IT TRUE THAT SUGAR
CAN BE EXTRACTED FROM
BEETS?
YES ☐ NO ☐



3 IS IT TRUE THAT
PYRAMIDS ARE
FOUND IN INDIA?
YES ☐ NO ☐



4 IS IT TRUE THAT AN
EPAULETTE IS A
SHOULDER ORNAMENT?
YES ☐ NO ☐



5 IS IT TRUE THAT THE
RED FLOWERS ON THE
POINSETTIA PLANT ARE
VENNY THE LEAVES?
YES ☐ NO ☐



6 IS IT TRUE
THAT AN OLD
MAID IS CALLED
A SPINET?
YES ☐ NO ☐



7 IS IT TRUE THAT
A HYPERBOLE IS
A WILD ANIMAL?
YES ☐ NO ☐



8 IS IT TRUE
THAT FISH
BREATHE THROUGH
THEIR SCALES?
YES ☐ NO ☐



9 IS IT TRUE THAT
A SANDPIPER IS
A BIRD?
YES ☐ NO ☐



10 IS IT TRUE THAT
CHRISTMAS IS
CELEBRATED AFTER
NEW YEAR'S?
YES ☐ NO ☐



11 IS IT TRUE THAT AN
ASTRONOMER IS
ANOTHER NAME FOR
A FORTUNE TELLER?
YES ☐ NO ☐



12 IS IT TRUE
THAT A
HADDOCK IS
A PADDED
FOOTSTOOL?
YES ☐ NO ☐



13 IS IT TRUE THAT
GEORGE WASHINGTON
WAS BURIED AT
MOUNT VERNON?
YES ☐ NO ☐

14 IS IT TRUE THAT
MAGELLAN WAS
THE FIRST MAN
TO SAIL AROUND
THE WORLD?
YES ☐ NO ☐



15 IS IT
TRUE THAT
PICCADILLY IS
A RELISH?
YES ☐ NO ☐



16 IS IT TRUE THAT
PETER PAN IS A
CHARACTER FOUND
IN THE MOTHER
GOOSE BOOK?
YES ☐ NO ☐



17 IS IT TRUE THAT A
MICROSCOPE IS USED ON
SUBMARINES TO SIGHT
ENEMY SHIPS?
YES ☐ NO ☐



18 IS IT TRUE THAT
LINEN IS MADE
FROM FLAX?
YES ☐ NO ☐



19 IS IT TRUE THAT
A BLUE JAY IS A
FLOWER?
YES ☐ NO ☐



20 IS IT TRUE THAT
A DOOR LOCK IS A
PIECE OF HARDWARE?
YES ☐ NO ☐

THE STORY OF AMERICA

WRITTEN BY DR. DAVID S. MUZZEY
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CHAPTER 5 - A HOUSE DIVIDED 1850-1865



SLAVERY'S AS NECESSARY
TO OUR COTTON GROWING
AS MACHINERY IS TO YOUR
MANUFACTURING.

MAYBE SO,
BUT DON'T TRY
TO SPREAD SLAVERY
TO THE FREE
WEST!

IN THE MIDDLE OF THE 19TH CENTURY, AMERICA'S PEACE WAS AGAIN SERIOUSLY THREATENED. THE SPREAD OF SLAVERY TO THE WEST WAS THE CAUSE FOR THE NORTH-SOUTH SPLIT. BUT THERE WERE OTHERS...

IN THE NORTH, THE "UNDERGROUND RAILWAY" FLOURISHED SECRETLY.



COME IN QUICKLY!
I'LL HIDE YOU
OVERNIGHT!



SLAVERY'S WRONG! I'LL
HELP SLAVES ESCAPE—
WHenever I CAN! HERE, UP
THIS SECRET STAIRCASE!

BUT IN THE SOUTH, THE SOUTHERNERS MAINTAINED THEIR LEGAL RIGHT TO TAKE SLAVES WHEREVER THEY PLEASED.



THE
SUPREME COURT SAYS
SLAVES ARE PROPERTY—
NOT CITIZENS. HELPING
THEM ESCAPE IS THE SAME
AS STEALING!

SLAVE-OWNERS
CAN TALK ALL THEY
LIKE, BUT THERE'S A
MORAL LAW—HIGHER
THAN THE CONSTITUTION—
WHICH SAYS SLAVERY
IS WRONG!

SOME BELIEVED IN VIOLENCE TO FREE THE SLAVES. THEIR
LEADER WAS JOHN BROWN.

WE'LL SEIZE THE U.S.
ARSENAL AT HARPER'S
FERRY AND USE THAT AS
A BASE FOR FREEING
THE SLAVES.



HERE COMES CAPTAIN
ROBERT E. LEE WITH
THE MARINES.

BROWN WAS CAPTURED AND HANGED, BUT
TWO YEARS LATER, TROOPS MARCHED
INTO BATTLE IN THE CIVIL WAR SINGING,
"JOHN BROWN'S BODY LIES
A-MOULDERING IN THE GRAVE
BUT HIS SOUL GOES MARCHING ON!"

1855—A NEW PARTY, THE REPUBLICANS, ORGANIZED TO
FIGHT SLAVERY, NOMINATED ABRAHAM LINCOLN AS SENATOR
FROM ILLINOIS.

I BELIEVE THAT
A HOUSE DIVIDED AGAINST
ITSELF CANNOT STAND. THIS
GOVERNMENT CANNOT
ENDURE HALF-SLAVE
AND HALF-FREE!

I CHALLENGE
THIS BACKWOODS
WONDER TO
OPEN DEBATE!



FREEPORT, ILLINOIS,
AUGUST 27, 1858...

SLAVERY CAN EXIST
IN NO PLACE WITHOUT
THE APPROVAL OF THE
PEOPLE OF THAT
PLACE.

BUT THAT CONTRADICTS YOUR
STATEMENT THAT AN OWNER
CAN TAKE HIS SLAVE PROPERTY
WHEREVER HE WANTS. DO
YOU MEAN THAT A THING MAY
BE DRIVEN AWAY FROM A
PLACE IT HAS A LEGAL
RIGHT TO BE?

HAH! HAH!
LINCOLN MADE A
FOOL OF DOUGLAS!

THE
LITTLE GIANT
ENCOUNTERS
OLD



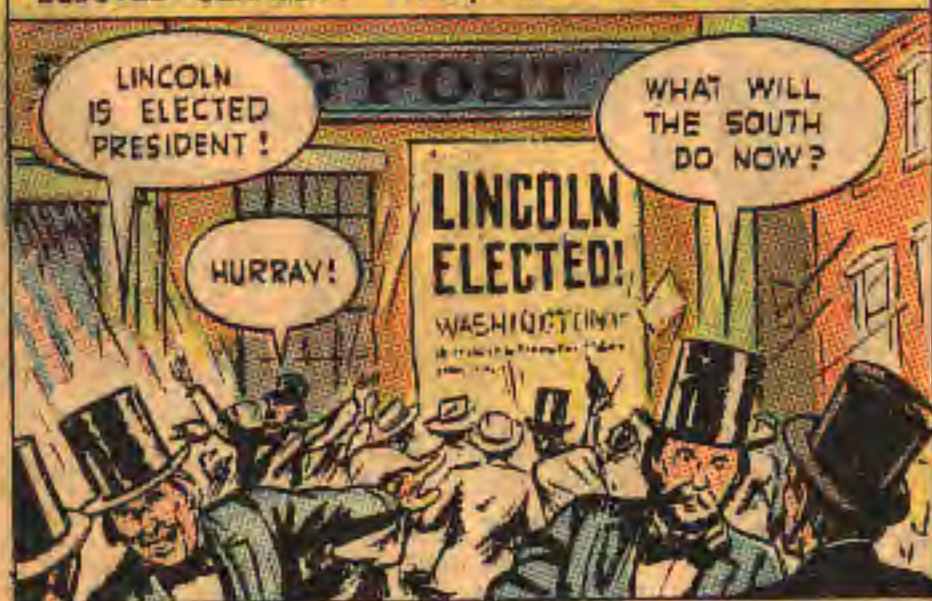
LINCOLN WON THE DEBATES, BUT DOUGLAS WAS
ELECTED SENATOR. THEN, TWO YEARS LATER...

LINCOLN
IS ELECTED
PRESIDENT!

HURRAY!

LINCOLN
ELECTED!

WHAT WILL
THE SOUTH
DO NOW?



CHARLESTON, S. C., GAVE THE ANSWER.

WE WON'T
STAND FOR
LINCOLN!

HE'LL PERSECUTE
THE
SLAVE-HOLDING
SOUTH!

SOUTH
CAROLINA WILL
SECEDE!



IN FEBRUARY 1861, THE
SOUTHERN STATES FORMED A
NEW REPUBLIC—THE CONFEDERACY.

FIRE ON FORT SUMTER!
WE WANT NO UNION FORT
IN CHARLESTON HARBOR!



APRIL 12, 1861...





HOW THE COUNTRY WAS LINED UP ON THE SLAVE QUESTION.



UNION ARMIES PRESSED TOWARD RICHMOND,
VIRGINIA...



... AND MET DEFEAT AT THE
BATTLE OF BULL RUN.



MEANWHILE THE UNION HAD BLOCKADED
THE CONFEDERATE COAST.



OUR
COTTON'S
ROTTING ON
THE DOCK.

IF WE CAN'T GET
IT TO ENGLAND,
WE'RE RUINED!

MAYBE
OUR

IRONCLAD

"MERRIMAC" CAN SINK
THE UNION'S WOODEN
WAR-VESSEL'S. THEN
WE CAN EXPORT
AGAIN.

WE'LL SEND THE WHOLE UNION
FLEET TO THE BOTTOM.



THEIR SHOTS
BOUNCE OFF THE
"MERRIMAC'S" SIDE
LIKE PEBBLES.

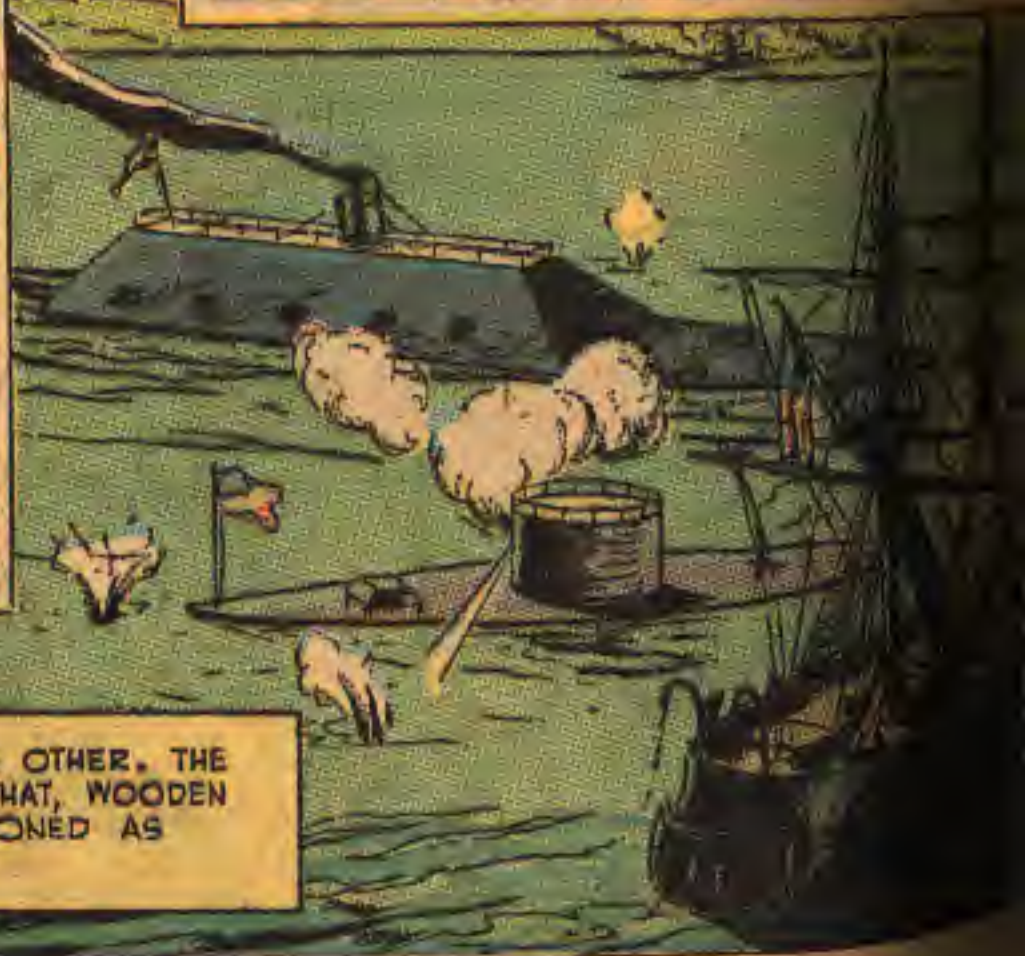
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BUT TWO COULD PLAY AT THAT SAME
GAME. THE UNION "MONITOR" SAILED
OUT.



WHY, SHE'S NOTHING
BUT A YANKEE CHEESE-
BOX ON A RAFT!

NEITHER SHIP COULD HURT THE OTHER. THE
BLOCKADE HELD, BUT AFTER THAT, WOODEN
WARSHIPS WERE AS OLD-FASHIONED AS
NOAH'S ARK!



UNION ARMIES ATTACKED DOWN THE MISSISSIPPI,

GRANT TOOK THE FORTS, AND THE MISSISSIPPI AS FAR SOUTH AS VICKSBURG FELL TO THE UNION.

WE CAN'T GET PAST THE RIVER FORTS, GENERAL GRANT.

THERE'S NO SUCH WORD AS CAN'T!



ADMIRAL FARRAGUT TOOK NEW ORLEANS.

WE SLIPPED BY THE DEFENSE IN THE DARK. NEW ORLEANS IS OURS!



THEN GRANT CAPTURED VICKSBURG, AND THE BATTLE FOR THE WEST WAS WON.



THE FATHER OF WATERS AGAIN FLOWS UNVEXED INTO THE SEA.



1863—THE BRILLIANT
CONFEDERATE GENERAL,
ROBERT E. LEE,
SWEEP NORTH.

VICTORY HERE AT
GETTYSBURG WILL MEAN
WE HAVE WON
THE WAR.



BUT VICTORY WENT TO THE NORTHERNERS!

THE TIDE
HAS TURNED!



AT GETTYSBURG, LINCOLN DEDICATED A CEMETERY TO THE HEROES WHO FELL THERE.

WE HERE HIGHLY
RESOLVE... THAT THIS NATION
SHALL HAVE A NEW BIRTH OF
FREEDOM, AND THAT GOVERNMENT OF
THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE, AND
BY THE PEOPLE, SHALL NOT PERISH
FROM THE EARTH!

SHERMAN'S UNION ARMY MARCHED
THROUGH GEORGIA, LEAVING
DESOLATION IN ITS WAKE...

WAR IS
CRUEL, AND
YOU CANNOT
REFINE IT.



... AND GRANT
ADVANCED ON RICHMOND.

SHE'S OURS,
BOYS! THE WAR
IS OVER!



AND IT WAS!

GENERAL LEE,
A MESSAGE FROM
THE PRESIDENT OF THE
CONFEDERACY. WE
MUST SURRENDER. THE
YANKEES HAVE
BEATEN US.

APRIL 9, 1865, AT APPOMATTOX, VIRGINIA, LEE SURRENDERED TO GRANT.

LET YOUR MEN
RETAIN THEIR HORSES,
GENERAL LEE. IT'LL
HELP WITH THE SPRING
PLOWING.

THANK YOU FOR
YOUR GENEROUS
TERMS, GENERAL
GRANT.

THE WAR IS OVER, BUT
OUR HARDEST JOB LIES
AHEAD—RE-UNITING THE
NORTH AND SOUTH IN ONE
BROTHERLY UNION.

BUT ON THE NIGHT OF APRIL 14, 1865, LINCOLN WENT TO
THE THEATRE FOR RELAXATION.

THIS IS A
VERY AMUSING
PLAY.

THE
PRESIDENT
IS SHOT!

SIC
SEMPER
TYRANNIS!

HE SHOT THE MAN WHO HAD GUIDED THE
NATION THROUGH ITS DARKEST HOUR.

NEXT MONTH "THE STORY OF AMERICA"
TELLS THE STIRRING TALE OF A NATION
REUNITED AFTER WAR.

JIM THORPE - INDIAN ATHLETE

FOOTBALL - BASEBALL - TRACK
STAR OF STARS



1907 - THE CAMPUS OF CARLISLE COLLEGE
FOR INDIANS, PENNSYLVANIA...

EVER THOUGHT
OF PLAYING
BALL, SON?

MY NAME'S THORPE,
SIR, JIM THORPE, AND
I NEVER THOUGHT
OF PLAYING BALL.



HERE-TAKE THIS
BALL AND SEE WHAT
YOU CAN DO
WITH IT!

THIS'LL BE GOOD TACKLING
PRACTICE FOR US, BOY.
DON'T THROW HIM
TOO HARD!





JIM RACED THE LENGTH OF THE FIELD FOR A TOUCHDOWN!



THAT BOY'S
A NATURAL BALL
CARRIER!



ER, THORPE. THAT
WAS SUPPOSED TO
BE FOR TACKLING
PRACTICE.

JIM DOESN'T LIKE
TO BE TACKLED,
COACH. HE
LIKES TO RUN!

IT COULDN'T
HAPPEN
AGAIN IN A
THOUSAND
YEARS.

THREE MINUTES OF THAT "THOUSAND YEARS"
PASTED AND...

IT'S DONE
IT AGAIN!



IT WAS AS A FOOTBALL PLAYER THAT JIM THORPE
WON HIS FIRST FAME. THE INDIANS PLAYED SUCH
TEAMS AS YALE, HARVARD, LEHIGH, AND ALL THE
GREAT TEAMS OF THE DAY. THEY DEVELOPED
THEIR OWN SYSTEM OF CALLING SIGNALS.

ALL RIGHT, BOYS - WE'LL
TRY IT THROUGH LEFT
TACKLE NOW. GIVE ME
THAT BALL!



JIM THORPE BECAME WORLD FAMOUS IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES OF 1912, HELD IN STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN. HIS RECORD HAS NEVER BEEN SURPASSED.

HE ALSO WON THE DECATHLON, CONSISTING OF THE 100 METER RUN, BROAD JUMP, SHOT PUTTING, RUNNING HIGH JUMP, 400 METER RUN, DISCUS THROWING, 100 METER HURDLES, POLE VAULTING, JAVELIN THROWING, AND A 1,500 METER RACE. HE WON 8,412 POINTS OUT OF A POSSIBLE 10,000!

IMAGINE JIM SHAKING HANDS WITH THE KING OF SWEDEN! NOT BAD FOR AN INDIAN WHO LEARNED TO RUN WHILE CHASING WILD PONIES IN OKLAHOMA!

YOU ARE A MOST REMARKABLE ATHLETE, MR. THORPE

THANK YOU YOUR MAJESTY.

HE WAS FIRST IN THE PENTATHLON—A FIVE-EVENT CONTEST CONSISTING OF THE RUNNING, BROAD JUMP, JAVELIN-THROWING, 100 METER RUN, DISCUS THROWING, AND THE 1500 METER RACE.

TODAY, JIM THORPE IS EMPLOYED BY THE GOVERNMENT AS A GUARD AT A VITAL DETROIT DEFENSE FACTORY. SPIES AND ENEMIES OF THIS COUNTRY WHO HAVE HEARD OF THE ATHLETIC FEATS OF JIM THORPE WILL THINK TWICE BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO CRASH THE GATE HE GUARDS!

BUT DISGRACE ROBBED JIM THORPE OF ALL HIS HONORS!

DAILY

JIM THORPE CALLED PROFESSIONAL

INDIAN ATHLETE AND OUTSTANDING STAR OF OLYMPICS PLAYED PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL TWO YEARS BEFORE OLYMPIC GAMES HELD! MUST RETURN OLYMPIC TROPHIES



BEWILDERED, JIM TURNED TO HIS OLD FRIEND AND COACH, "POP" WARNER.

I DIDN'T MEAN ANY HARM, POP. I DIDN'T PLAY FOR THE MONEY. WHY, GOSH, I'D RATHER PLAY BASEBALL THAN EAT!

I KNOW THAT JIM IS THE WORLD WIDE AS "AMATEUR" ANYONE WHO'S EVER TAKEN FOR PLAYING, NEARLY CHIN!



FOR MONTHS JIM THORPE BROODED, UNABLE TO FACE HIS FRIENDS... UNWILLING TO CONTINUE HIS ATHLETIC CAREER.



HEY, MISTER, WANT TO PLAY FIRST BASE?

WHY... ER... SURE! SURE, I'LL PLAY WITH YOU.



SAY, MISTER, YOU PLAY BASEBALL JUST LIKE A PROFESSIONAL!

YOU GOT SOMETHING THERE, SON!



INTEREST IN BASEBALL WAS AWAKED. IN 1913, HE BECAME A MEMBER OF THE NEW YORK GIANTS.



JIM PLAYED WITH VARIOUS CLUBS FOR SIX YEARS, COMPILING A LIFETIME BATTING AVERAGE OF OVER .250

AT THE CLOSE OF HIS BASEBALL CAREER, THE GREAT INDIAN WENT BACK TO FOOTBALL, PLAYING AND MANAGING!

YOU SEEM TO BE AS GOOD AT MANAGING AS AT PLAYING.

I'M GETTING ON A BIT, NOW. THINK I'LL DO MORE MANAGING THAN PLAYING!



BUT HE NEVER LOST HIS ABILITY FOR EITHER DODGING A TACKLER OR SENDING HIM SPINNING.

WHAT HIT ME - A TORNADO?

NO - JUST JIM THORPE SHAKING HANDS WITH KNUTE ROCKNE. HE DIDN'T WAIT TO TALK ABOUT THE WEATHER, DID HE, KNUTE?



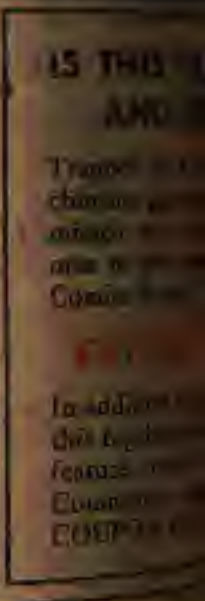
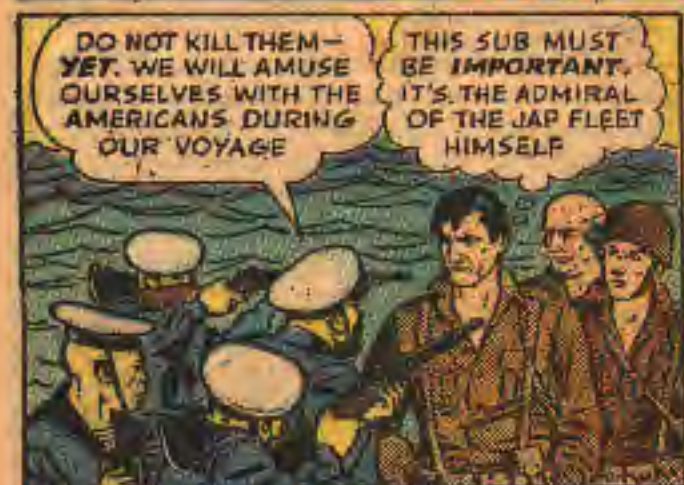
BEFORE GAMES, JIM WOULD GIVE DEMONSTRATIONS OF HIS DROP-KICKING ABILITY.



TODAY, JIM THORPE IS EMPLOYED BY THE GOVERNMENT AS A GUARD AT A VITAL DETROIT DEFENSE FACTORY. SPIES AND ENEMIES OF THIS COUNTRY WHO HAVE HEARD OF THE ATHLETIC FEATS OF JIM THORPE WILL THINK TWICE BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO CRASH THE GATE HE GUARDS!



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AMERICA
COWBOY
ENERGY



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Parachutes for VICTORY



THOUSANDS OF PARATROOPS ARE IN TRAINING FOR UNCLE SAM. BEHIND THEIR SUCCESS LIE FIVE CENTURIES OF PROGRESS IN PARACHUTE DESIGNING.

IN THE 17th CENTURY, THE KING OF SIAM WATCHED HIS TUMBLER EXPERIMENT WITH TWO UMBRELLAS ATTACHED TO HIS WAIST.

WONDERFUL! FOR HIS DARING WE SHALL GRANT HIM A TITLE AND LODGINGS IN OUR PALACE.

LEONARDO DA VINCI DESIGNED THIS PARACHUTE IN 1495.



THE 18th CENTURY, A FRENCHMAN, GARNERIN, INVENTED A PARACHUTE IN PRISON. ON HIS RELEASE HE CARRIED OUT THE DESIGN.

FINISHED! NOW TO ANNOUNCE MY DARING JUMP TO THE PEOPLE OF PARIS!

FREE PARACHUTE FLIGHTS FROM BALLOONS. NOW THEY WILL BELIEVE ME!

THE ENGLISH DUKE OF YORK HONORED GARNERIN FOR HIS ACHIEVEMENT.

REMEMBER THIS DAY OCTOBER 22, 1797. HAIL GARNERIN! SEE, THE DUKE OF YORK RIDES BY HIS SIDE!

BALLOONISTS IN THE 1800'S OFTEN BURNED STRAW TO KEEP THE AIR IN THE BALLOONS HOT. BECAUSE OF THIS KUPARENTO, A POLE, DISCOVERED THAT A PARACHUTE WAS A GOOD SAFETY DEVICE.

IF THE FLAMES SET THE FABRIC ON FIRE...

LUCKY I HAD THIS WITH ME!

SUCH JUMPING SHOULD BE STOPPED BY LAW.

WHAT USE CAN BE MADE OF PARACHUTES ANYWAY?

PARACHUTING SPREAD OVER THE CONTINENT IN SPITE OF JEERS.

JUST A FOOLISH FAD. IT WILL COME TO AN END SOON.

IN 1838, JOHN HAMPTON WAS THE FIRST SUCCESSFUL ENGLISH PARACHUTIST. THE CHUTE HAD RIBS OF THICK WHALEBONE. DESPITE HIS SUCCESSFUL LEAPS, MANY STILL ARGUED THAT PARACHUTES WERE USELESS EXCEPT FOR SHOWS OR CIRCUSES.



IN THE SAME YEAR, JOHN WISE, AN AMERICAN, DELIBERATELY MADE HIS BALLOON EXPLODE AT 13,000 FEET. AND THEN DESCENDED SAFELY SUPPORTED BY FRAGMENTS OF THE BAG, TO PROVE THAT THE BALLOON WAS A BETTER PARACHUTE THAN THE PARACHUTE ITSELF!



IN 1911, ONE OF THE FIRST LEAPS FROM AN AIRPLANE WAS MADE BY GRANT MORTON AT VENICE BEACH, CALIFORNIA.



AS HE JUMPED HE THREW THE CANOPY INTO THE AIR, AND IT BILLOWED OPEN.



IN 1912, MEN LIKE CAPTAIN ALBERT BERRY, AMERICAN, PUT ON PARACHUTE SHOWS TO THRILL THE PUBLIC.



AT ABOUT THE SAME TIME, AIRPLANE CRASHES WERE KILLING HUNDREDS OF PILOTS BECAUSE NO PERFECTED CHUTES WERE IN GENERAL USE.



1912, REWARDED BY FRANCE'S OFFER OF 100 FRANCES' AWARD FOR SUCCESSFUL PARACHUTES, HONNET RELEASED FROM A MODEL PLANE A DUMMY WITH CHUTE ATTACHED. THE DUMMY LANDED WITHOUT A SCRATCH!



DURING THE FIRST WORLD WAR, THE GERMANS WERE THE FIRST TO USE PARACHUTES.



THE BRITISH AND FRENCH USED PARACHUTES FOR ESCAPE FROM OBSERVATION BALLOONS UNDER ATTACK.



BEGINNING IN 1919, EXPERIMENTS WENT ON CONSTANTLY AT MC COOK FIELD UNDER MAJOR HOFFMAN. EVERY TYPE OF CHUTE WAS TRIED WITH "DUMMY SAM" AS THE VICTIM.



MAJOR HOFFMAN SAW A YOUNG ENGLISH OFFICER PLUNGE TO HIS DEATH IN AN EXPERIMENTAL FALL OVER MC COOK FIELD.

45 CHUTE CAUGHT ON THE PLANE AND RIPPED! WE'VE GOT TO MAKE THE PARACHUTE SEPARATE FROM THE PLANE AND ATTACHED ONLY TO THE BODY OF THE MAN JUMPING!



AFTER LIEUTENANT HARRIS' SENSATIONAL FALL AT MC COOK FIELD IN WHICH HE OPENED HIS CHUTE AT 500 FEET ABOVE THE GROUND, THE PARACHUTE RECEIVED OFFICIAL RECOGNITION. IN 1923, WEARING OF CHUTES BECAME COMPULSORY IN THE ARMY. PIONEERS LIKE FLOYD SMITH MADE FURTHER SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS!



TODAY'S PARACHUTE IS MADE OF ABOUT 70 YARDS OF STRONG SILK, WEIGHS TWENTY-ONE POUNDS PACKED. THE PILOT CHUTE, ONE YARD IN DIAMETER, OPENS FIRST, CATCHES THE WIND OF THE PROPELLER AND CARRIES THE MAIN CHUTE STRAIGHT OUT BEHIND THE AIRPLANE.



EVERY TWO YEARS, CHUTES ARE DECOM-TESTED WITH MAN-SIZED DUMMIES. THE PILOT CHUTES PULL THE BIG CANOPIES OPEN.



CHUTES ARE SWUNG ON A TOWER AT SPEEDS UP TO 300 MILES PER HOUR. A MOVIE CAMERA RECORDS DETAILS.



A PARACHUTE MUST BE PACKED WITH LICENSED RIGGERS DOING THE JOB. ALL CHUTES MUST MEET GOVERNMENT SPECIFICATIONS.

NO SLIP-UPS HERE. IT MIGHT COST A MAN'S LIFE!



A MAN JUMPING FROM A PLANE WITHOUT A PARACHUTE FALLS 3,600 FEET IN 20 SECONDS.



A MAN JUMPING FROM A PLANE WITH A PARACHUTE FALLS ONLY 390 FEET IN 20 SECONDS.



ONE OF THE MODERN USES OF PARACHUTES IS TO DROP SUPPLIES TO FOREST RANGERS ON THE FIRELINES...

THOSE BOYS WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT NOT GETTING FOOD OR SUPPLIES WHEN THESE BUNCHES LAND.



...OR TO BRING "SMOKE JUMPERS" TO HELP IN WOODED AREAS HARD TO REACH EXCEPT BY PLANE.

GOOD THING THIS CHUTE'S EASY TO STEER OR I'D LAND RIGHT IN THE FLAMES.



"SMOKE JUMPERS" USE A SPECIAL CHUTE THAT DROPS MORE SLOWLY THAN STANDARD MODELS SO THEY CAN STUDY THE FIRE AS THEY FALL.



GET ON THE BRACKES!

TO STUDY WEATHER CONDITIONS AT HIGH ALTITUDES, SCIENTISTS SEND UP BALLOONS CARRYING A SMALL RECORDING BOX CALLED A RADIOSONDE. THE BALLOON FINALLY BURSTS, BUT THE SMALL CHUTE ATTACHED OPENS AND RETURNS THE INSTRUMENT TO EARTH.

THIS THING CAN GO HIGHER THAN PLANES CAN FLY.



PARACHUTES HELP IN EXPLORATION. SUPPLIES WERE DROPPED TO THE PARTY WHO CLIMBED MOUNT MOUNTAIN, HIGHEST PEAK IN AMERICA. A DYNAMITE CHARGE SEVERED THE CHUTE FROM THE PACK SO IT WOULD NOT BE DRAGGED OVER THE GROUND.

THOSE PILOTS COULD HIT A FLY WITH AN AIM LIKE THAT.



ANY FLIER, WHO HAS HAD HIS LIFE SAVED BY A PARACHUTE LEAP FROM A DISABLED AIRCRAFT IS ENTITLED TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE "CATERPILLAR CLUB," ORGANIZED IN 1922. THE RECORD OF NAMES IS KEPT BY THE U.S. ARMY AIR CORPS.



PARACHUTE FLARES ARE CARRIED BY MOST PLANES. A PLANE COMING INTO A SMALL AIRPORT OR MAKING AN EMERGENCY LANDING MAY DROP A FLARE.

THAT FLARE WILL BURN THREE MINUTES. PLENTY OF TIME TO LAND.



PARATROOPERS, VOLUNTEER CHUTISTS IN THE U.S. ARMY, GET SET FOR THEIR FIRST LEAP. THE STATIC LINE HOOKED TO THE WIRES PULLS THE PACK OPEN WHEN THE JUMPER IS CLEAR.



OVER CAMP ELLIOT, CALIFORNIA IN MAY 1941, SECOND LIEUTENANT WALTER OSIPOFF'S CHUTE BECAME FOULED IN THE STATIC LINE.

MAN DANGLING FROM PLANE! TELL THE PILOT NOT TO LAND!



DEFYING DEATH, OFFICER MC CANTS FREED OSIPOFF WHILE PILOT LOWREY HANDLED THE CONTROLS - A SUCCESSFUL RESCUE FROM CERTAIN DEATH.



THESE U.S. PARATROOPERS ARE READY FOR ACTION WITHIN TEN MINUTES AFTER LANDING. MACHINE GUNS, AMMUNITION AND OTHER SUPPLIES ARE ALSO DROPPED NEARBY BY PARACHUTES.

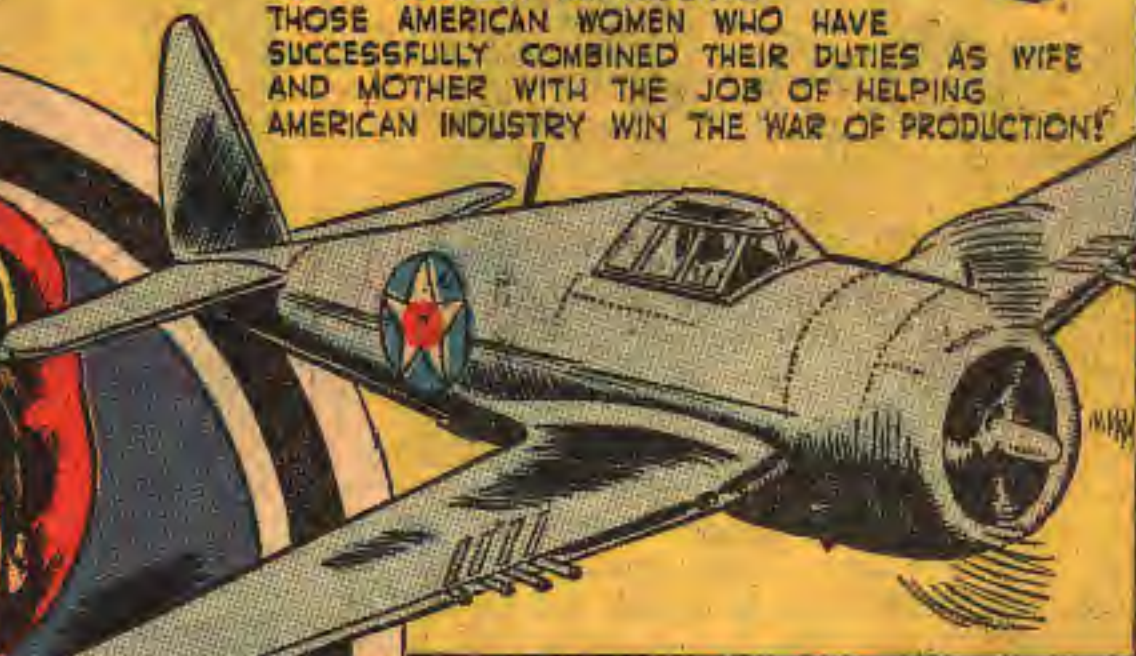


EXPERIMENTAL CHUTES ARE STILL BEING DESIGNED. THE TRIANGULAR CHUTE IS EASY TO STEER. PLANE CHUTES ARE STILL ANOTHER ANSWER TO THE CHALLENGE OF THE FUTURE.



Time Out for Victory

KLAVA ROSSUCK REPRESENTS THOSE AMERICAN WOMEN WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMBINED THEIR DUTIES AS WIFE AND MOTHER WITH THE JOB OF HELPING AMERICAN INDUSTRY WIN THE WAR OF PRODUCTION!



ALTHOUGH KLAVA'S PARENTS WERE RUSSIAN, SHE WAS BORN AND SCHOOLED IN CHINA. IN 1926...

MISS MIASNICOV, I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS ANYTHING AS NICE AS YOU IN SHANGHAI.



I'M NOT SORRY EITHER THAT MY SISTER BROUGHT ME ON A BLIND DATE.

LATER THAT WEEK...

O SIS, AD ROSSUCK'S WONDERFUL!

YOU MUST THINK SO, KLAVA. YOU'VE BEEN OUT WITH THAT AMERICAN SALESMAN EVERY NIGHT THIS WEEK.



A YEAR LATER SID AND KLAVA WERE MARRIED...

SOME DAY I WANT TO SHOW YOU NEW YORK.

I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE MY NEW COUNTRY.



FIRST STOP, SAN FRANCISCO.

IT'S SUCH A TREMENDOUS COUNTRY!



IN 1938 KLAVA RECEIVED HER CITIZENSHIP PAPERS.

I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG...



NOW I'M REALLY AN AMERICAN MOTHER WITH AN AMERICAN-BORN SON!



IT'S FINE THAT PARTIES ARE BEING GIVEN TO RAISE MONEY FOR CHINA RELIEF.

THERE MUST BE MORE I CAN DO TO HELP MY FRIENDS IN CHINA.



NATION BY NATION, THE WHOLE WORLD BECAME INVOLVED IN THE TERRIBLE CONFLICT.

THE RUSSIANS MUST BE SUPERMEN!



JAPANESE ARE BOMBING PEARL HARBOR!



NOW ALL THREE OF MY COUNTRIES ARE IN THIS WAR—AMERICA, RUSSIA, AND CHINA.





LEARNING FIRST AID IS NECESSARY BUT IT ISN'T ENOUGH! IF I COULD ONLY FIGHT...



THAT EVENING...

SID, I MUST GET IN THE WAR.

BUT, DARLING, WHAT CAN YOU DO?



I'LL HELP MAKE AIRPLANES. I'LL LEARN HOW.

BUT THAT MEANS GIVING UP YOUR COMFORTABLE LIFE, YOUR TIME WITH THE CHILDREN.



IF I'M NOT WILLING TO GIVE THEM UP TO FIGHT NOW, I MAY HAVE NO CHOICE SHOULD THE NAZIS WIN.



AND SOON SHE WAS IN THE TRAINING SCHOOL OF THE REPUBLIC AVIATION CORPORATION.

KLAVA ROSSUCK HAS CERTAINLY LEARNED FAST.

SHE PASSED HER MECHANICAL APTITUDE TEST WITH HIGH HONORS.



I'M A SOFTY. I MUST LEARN TO TAKE IT IF I'M GOING TO BE ANY GOOD!



TRUE'S MOVIE GUIDE

Brief Reviews Of Films You Will Want To See



Paul Henreid, Ingrid Bergman and Humphrey Bogart in "Casablanca," an up-to-the-minute tale of French West Africa. (Warners)



Your friends Bud Abbott and Lou Costello in "Who Done It?" a merry mystery. (Univ.)

AIR FORCE—A true epic of the war, filmed with the cooperation of the War Department, this is an inspiring record. A B-17 bomber leaves on a routine training flight to Hawaii on December 7, 1941. The crew (John Garfield heads an all-male cast) see action at Hickam Field, Wake Island, Manila, and Australia. We leave them as the ship zooms toward Tokyo. (Warners)

ANDY HARDY STEPS OUT—The film tells of Andy's adventures just before leaving for college, and of course they include a new femme, as Andy-Mickey Rooney would say. Polly Bennett helps him out of this jam, but on the train he meets another lovely bound for the same college. This complication will be continued in the next Andy film, but we wonder what will happen when Polly isn't on the scene! (MGM)

THE AVENGERS—A British newspaper correspondent is on the scene when the Nazis invade Norway. Escaping to England he uses his knowledge of Norway's rockbound coast to

guide Commandos to a camouflaged submarine base. The Commando finish is taken from an actual raid. (Para.)

CASABLANCA—The front page news from North Africa ties right in with this excellent melodrama of the French seaport and the mysterious characters who crowded it last summer. Humphrey Bogart is the hero who appears to be a hard-boiled night club proprietor but who has really fought for freedom in Spain and Ethiopia. To his cafe come German and Vichy officials and a host of refugees of whose loyalties you aren't certain until the end. (Warners)

COMMANDOS STRIKE AT DAWN, THE—Paul Muni, as a young Norwegian patriot, leads members of the underground on a dangerous mission to England after he discovers Nazi plans for an Arctic attack on supply lines. Paul's English friend (Robert Coote of the R.C.A.F.), a Commando captain, heads the raid which follows in which both men are killed while rescuing the imprisoned villagers. Lt. Commander John

Farrow directed this powerful war film. (Col.)

IN WHICH WE SERVE—The story of a British ship from the day she is commissioned to her disappearance beneath the waters of the Mediterranean after being bombed in the battle of Crete. As she goes down a handful of survivors, clinging to a rubber raft, cheer her. And into the mind of each come treasured scenes of their lives on the ship and during leaves at home. These make a moving and inspiring story (U.A.)

JACARE—Most of us enjoy a good wild animal film, especially when Frank Buck talks while the picture is being shown. This one takes us to a new locale, the Amazon River Valley, where ferocious alligators, called Jacaré, grow to twenty feet! (U.A.)

WHO DONE IT?—If you like your mysteries on the wacky side, Abbott and Costello are just the boys to serve them. This one takes place in a broadcasting station and is full of laughs and crazy fun. (Univ.)

THE AMAZING HOMER LEA

40 YEARS AGO, THIS YOUNG AMERICAN WARNED THE U.S. THAT JAPAN WOULD ATTACK! HE EVEN PREDICTED HOW THE JAPS WOULD DO IT. HERE IS THE STRANGE STORY OF A STRANGE AND MYSTERIOUS MAN.



1888, DENVER, COLORADO—HOMER WAS CRIPPLED AND COULDN'T PLAY WITH THE OTHER CHILDREN, BUT HE DIRECTED THEM AS THEY PLAYED WAR GAMES.



IN HIS ROOM AT HOME, HE FOUGHT GREAT BATTLES BETWEEN NATIONS, WITH COLORED PINS FOR TROOPS.



BY THE TIME HE WAS 15, HOMER KNEW EVERY DETAIL OF EVERY BATTLE NAPOLEON EVER FOUGHT!



THE DUKE OF WELLINGTON WOULDN'T HAVE WON THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO IF NAPOLEON HAD ONLY MOVED HIS MEN LIKE THIS...

1895 - IN THE ORIENT, THE JAPS TOOK THE ISLANDS OF KOREA AND FORMOSA FROM CHINA.



FOUR YEARS LATER, WHEN HOMER LEA WAS A STUDENT AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY...



LEA, YOU'RE CRAZY TO THINK YOU COULD SAVE CHINA!

I STILL THINK THAT CHINA CAN BE SAVED!

SURE! THE EMPRESS EVEN PUT THE YOUNG EMPEROR IN JAIL!

I KNOW IT! BUT A WELL-TRAINED CHINESE ARMY COULD SET THINGS STRAIGHT! AND I'M GOING TO TRAIN THAT ARMY!



LISTEN TO THE DUMB BUNNY TALK!

THAT'S THE BEST JOKE I'VE HEARD THIS YEAR!

ALL RIGHT! YOU JUST WAIT AND SEE! I'M GOING TO CHINA!



JULY, 1899 -
HOMER LEA
SAILED FROM
SAN FRANCISCO.



ON THE WAY, HE STOPPED AT HAWAII...



THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL
ISLAND PARADISE, AL-
RIGHT. BUT IT WILL BE
MUCH MORE THAN
THAT SOME DAY.

THERE IS
PEARL HARBOR! ONE
OF THE WORLD'S
STRONGEST NAVAL
BASES.

YES! AND
ONE OF THE
FIRST PLACES
JAPAN WILL
STRIKE WHEN
SHE GETS READY
TO WAGE WAR
ON
AMERICA!



FROM HAWAII, LEA WENT TO THE
PHILIPPINES.



HOMER MADE A THOROUGH STUDY OF THE ISLAND OF LUZON.

THE JAPS WILL HAVE
NO TROUBLE TAKING
MANILA. AMERICA
CAN'T HOLD IT!



AMERICAN FORCES COULD
ONLY HOPE TO HOLD OFF THE
JAPS A WHILE BY RETREATING
TO BATAAN PENINSULA FOR
A FINAL STAND.



WHEN LEA ARRIVED IN CANTON, CHINA

WHY HAVE YOU HONORED
YOUR HOMELAND WITH THIS
VISIT?

I CAME TO
TOPPLE THE
MANCHU RULERS
OF CHINA
FROM THEIR ANCIENT
DRAGON THRONE!

I HAD NEWS OF THAT. THE MEMBERS
OF THE SECRET REVOLUTIONARY SOCIETY
WILL SEE THAT YOU HAVE AN AUDIENCE
WITH THE EMPRESS' PRIME MINISTER—
HE TOO WOULD SEE HER REMOVED
AS RULER OF CHINA!

SO HOMER LEA ARRIVED AT THE
FORBIDDEN PALACE ONE MIDNIGHT...

WELCOME TO THE HUMBLE PRESENCE
OF THE EMPRESS' PRIME MINISTER!

I AM
HONORED.

I AM AFRAID, HOWEVER, THAT
YOU ARE NOT THE MAN WE WANT.
YOU DO NOT LOOK LIKE
A SOLDIER. YOU ARE TOO
YOUNG!

I'M THE SAME AGE
NAPOLEON WAS WHEN
HE WON SOME OF HIS
GREATEST VICTORIES! CAN
YOU DENY HE WAS
A SOLDIER?

WELL SAID, MY AMERICAN
FRIEND! YOU SHALL LEAVE AT
ONCE FOR SHENSI TO TRAIN
A VOLUNTEER ARMY TO
LEAD CHINA TO VICTORY!

WITH TWO BEARERS AND A GLIDE, HOMER LEA SET OUT TO TAKE OVER HIS COMMAND OF THE NEW CHINESE ARMY.



ESCAPING THE EMPRESS' SOLDIERS, HOMER LEA ARRIVED AT SHENSI, HEADQUARTERS OF THE CHINESE VOLUNTEER ARMY.



LEA'S ARMY MET THE EMPRESS' TROOPS IN BLOODY BATTLE, WON A GREAT VICTORY, AND PAVED THE WAY FOR THE FORMATION OF THE CHINESE REPUBLIC!



THIS IS THE FIRST
STEP. CHINA MUST
BE STRONG
ENOUGH TO
FIGHT JAPAN
BECAUSE
SOME DAY THE
JAPS WILL
ATTACK
HER IN
FORCE!

LEA RETURNED TO THE
U.S. AND SPENT MANY
HOURS EVERY DAY
TRUDGING ALONG THE
SHORES OF THE PACIFIC COAST.



THIS SPOT IS A NATURAL
LANDING PLACE FOR JAPANESE
TROOPS! IT MUST BE FORTIFIED
AND PROTECTED!



BECAUSE OF HOMER LEA'S BRILLIANT FORECAST, GENERAL
MACARTHUR WAS PREPARED WHEN THE JAPANESE
ATTACKED THE PHILIPPINES! AND THE U.S. PACIFIC
COASTLINE HAS BEEN FORTIFIED AS HE SUGGESTED!



HOMER LEA DIED IN 1912, AT THE AGE
OF 36, HAVING CORRECTLY PREDICTED
WORLD WAR I & II! HE IS THE ONLY
AMERICAN CITIZEN WHO EVER
BECAME A GENERAL IN
A FOREIGN ARMY!



THE STORY OF BRAZIL

THIS GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY, LARGER IN AREA THAN THE UNITED STATES, HAS MORE THAN 40,000,000 PEOPLE, THE LARGEST RIVER IN THE WORLD, AND THOUSANDS OF ACRES OF STILL UNTAPPED RESOURCES.



1498 - THE COURT OF KING MANUEL OF PORTUGAL.

SIR, I HAVE FOUND AN ALL-WATER ROUTE TO THE INDIES VIA THE CAPE OF GOOD HOPE!

GOOD WORK, VASCO DA GAMA! PORTUGAL WILL NOW HAVE A SHARE IN THE RICHES OF THE NEW WORLD!

AN ARMADA OF OUR BEST SHIPS IS READY TO SAIL FOR THE INDIES, CABRAL! WILL YOU FOLLOW VASCO DA GAMA'S ROUTE AND TAKE THEM THERE?

WITH PLEASURE, KING MANUEL!

THERE ARE CALMS OFF THE GULF OF GUINEA! LET US BEAR WEST TO AVOID THEM!

AYE, AYE, SIR!

1500...

LAND HO!

WHAT ISLAND CAN THIS BE SO FAR WEST?

LET US CLAIM THIS NEW ISLAND FOR PORTUGAL!

WHAT SHALL WE NAME THIS RIVER, SENOR GONZALEZ?

TODAY IS JANUARY FIRST! LET US NAME IT RIO DE JANIERO (RIVER OF JANUARY).

JANUARY 1, 1501...

THE "NEW ISLAND" WAS BRAZIL.

1538... SOUZA, OUR SETTLEMENTS IN THE NEW WORLD ARE TROUBLED! THEY ARE PREY TO FRENCH PIRATES, AND THE INDIANS ATTACK OUR PEOPLE!

SIR, I AM PROUD TO GO TO BRAZIL AS YOUR GOVERNOR GENERAL!

1550-BRAZIL NOW BEGAN TO ATTRACT MANY MORE SETTLERS.



MANY TIMES, FROM 1580-1660, THE COLONISTS HAD TO FIGHT OFF "INVADERS".



IN 1693, GOLD WAS DISCOVERED IN THE STATE OF MINAS GERAES...

GOLD ! GOLD !



... AND A FEW YEARS LATER, DIAMONDS WERE FOUND.

ALL STONES OF MORE THAN 20 CARATS BECOME THE PROPERTY OF THE KING.



THANK YOU, MY PEOPLE.

IN 1807, NAPOLEON MARCHED ON PORTUGAL, AND KING JOHN VI FLED TO BRAZIL FOR SAFETY. THIS IS THE ONLY TIME A COLONY EVER BECAME THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT OF ITS OWN MOTHER COUNTRY.

VIVA O REI !
VIVA !



821... WE MUST LEAVE YOU NOW BECAUSE WE ARE NEEDED IN PORTUGAL, BUT WE LEAVE YOU OUR SON, PEDRO, AS REGENT.



BUT HAVING TASTED IMPORTANCE AS THE CENTER OF GOVERNMENT, BRAZIL REFUSED TO BECOME A COLONY AGAIN. ON SEPTEMBER 7, 1822, KING JOHN'S SON BECAME EMPEROR PEDRO I OF BRAZIL.

FROM NOW ON, LET OUR MOTTO BE, INDEPENDENCE OR DEATH !



1831



1840.

THE PEOPLE ARE IMPATIENT WITH THE REGENCY, YOUR MAJESTY. A SPECIAL ACT OF PARLIAMENT HAS JUST DECLARED THAT YOU ARE OF AGE.

IS NOT THE CROWN HEAVY FOR A BOY OF 14?



UNDER EMPEROR PEDRO II, BRAZIL PROSPERED. SHE WON WARS AND SETTLED DISPUTES WITH HER NEIGHBORS. IN 1865, RIO DE JANEIRO BECAME THE CENTER OF COMMERCE WITH THE U.S.A.



DOWN WITH ALL EMPERORS! LET US MAKE BRAZIL A REPUBLIC!

EMPEROR PEDRO'S PARLIAMENT FREED OUR SLAVES AND DIDN'T PAY US. WE MUST GET RID OF THIS TYRANNY.

THE EMPEROR KEEPS US OUT OF POLITICS, GENERAL. LET US SET UP A NEW GOVERNMENT.



DEODORO FONSECA BECAME THE FIRST PRESIDENT.

VIVA O PRESIDENTE DEODORO! VIVA O REPUBLIC!

THIS SHOULD BE A GOOD CONSTITUTION!

YES, IT HAS BEEN MODELED AFTER THAT OF THE U.S.A.

THIS RUBBER IS LIQUID GOLD FOR OUR COUNTRY.

BRAZIL FORGED AHEAD TO TAKE ITS PLACE WITH THE GREAT POWERS OF THE WORLD.

A FINE COCOA CROP THIS YEAR, LUIS.

MORE CHOCOLATE BARS FOR THE U.S.A.

COLONISTS CAME FROM OTHER COUNTRIES BY THE THOUSANDS.

ITALY IS TOO CROWDED!

I CAN FARM HERE AS WELL AS I DID IN RUSSIA.

WE CAN GET AHEAD HERE FASTER THAN IN PORTUGAL.

THERE IS TOO MUCH COMPETITION IN GERMANY.

SCIENCE HAS PLAYED ITS PART ...

DR. CRUZ, YOU HAVE FREED OUR BEAUTIFUL RIO DE JANEIRO OF THE TERRIBLE YELLOW FEVER.



...AND EXPLORATION CONTINUED.

WHITE MAN NEVER HERE BEFORE.

WE MUST KEEP GOING! EVERY AMAZON TRIBUTARY MUST BE TRACED TO ITS SOURCE.



BRAZILIAN CITIES BECAME MORE BEAUTIFUL.



MORE MINERALS WERE MINED.

WHY IS THIS MANGANESE SO VALUABLE, CARLOS?

IT IS USED IN MAKING STEEL, AND BRAZIL HAS 250,000,000 TONS! OF IT!



INDUSTRIES MULTIPLIED.

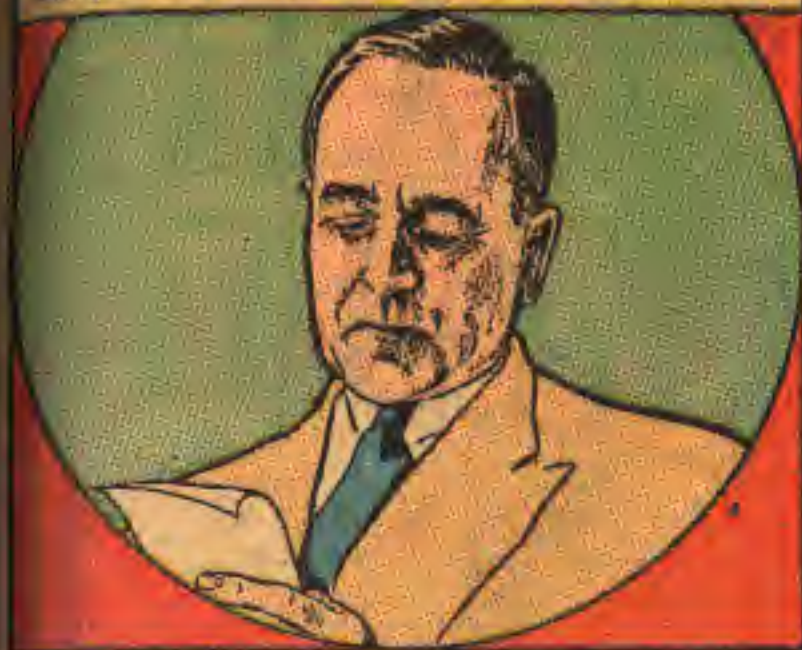
ANOTHER NEW FACTORY?

YES, WE NOW HAVE 15,000 IN THE STATE OF SAO PAULO ALONE



BELIEVING IN THE EQUALITY OF RACES, BRAZIL HAS TRIED TO ABSORB ALL INTO ONE BRAZILIAN PEOPLE.

IN 1930, WHEN THE REPUBLIC WAS 39 YEARS OLD, GETULIO VARGAS BECAME PRESIDENT.



IN 1933, PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT STRENGTHENED THE TIES OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO AMERICAS.

WE SHALL BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR TO ALL LATIN AMERICA.



MEANWHILE HITLER WAS ON THE RAMPAGE.

THERE IS A LOT OF GERMAN PROPAGANDA IN OUR COUNTRY THESE DAYS.

I KNOW, BUT OUR PEOPLE WILL NOT SWALLOW IT.



JANUARY 1942...

PRESIDENT VARGAS HAS CLOSED ALL GERMAN SCHOOLS IN BRAZIL AND HAS ALSO BANNED ALL FOREIGN LANGUAGE NEWSPAPERS.



BRAZILIAN SHIPS WERE SUNK BY NAZI U-BOATS.

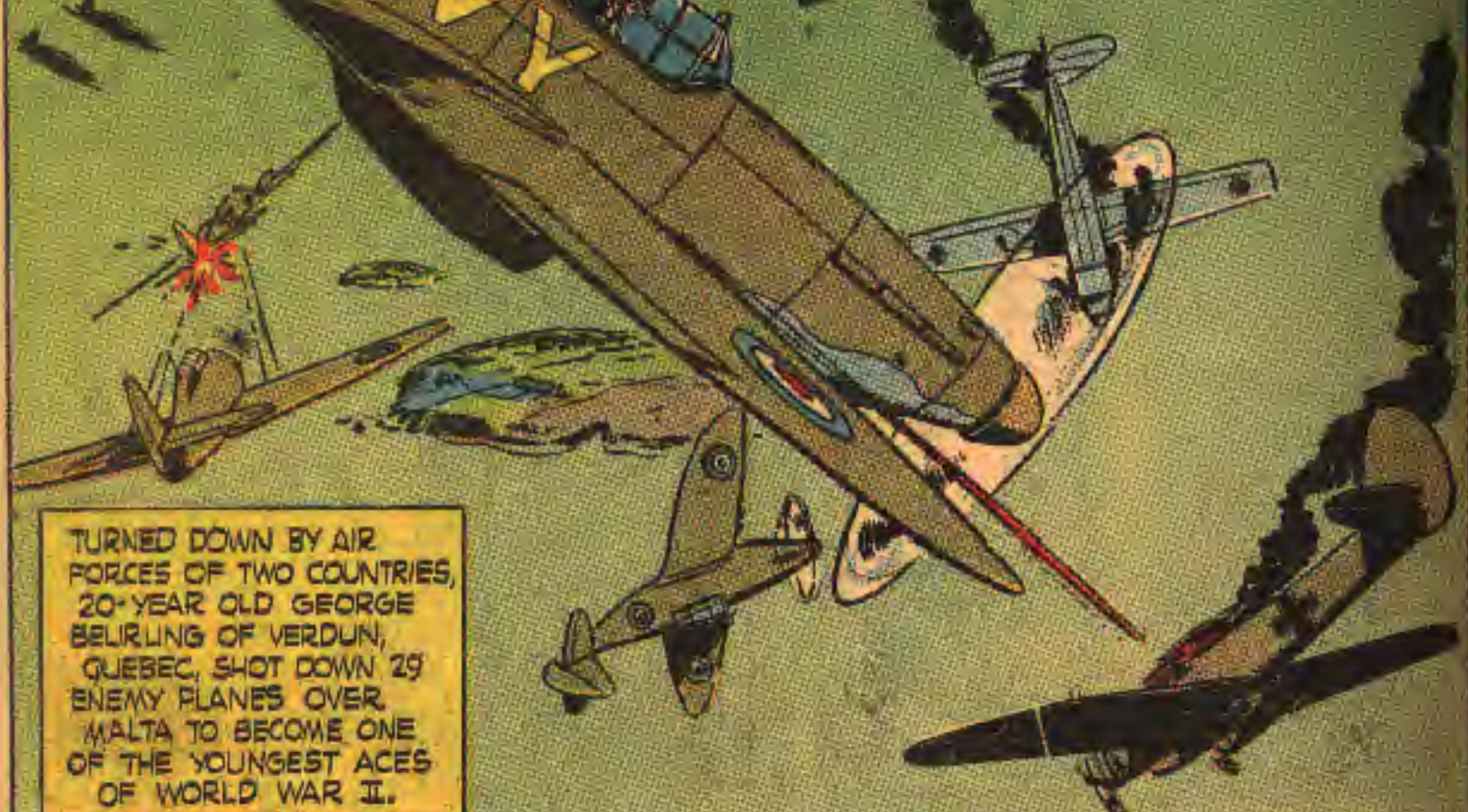
THEY GOT US AGAIN!

THE DIRTY HUNG! ONE MORE CARGO ON THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA. WHAT A WASTE!



AUGUST 22, 1942 - BRAZIL DECLARED WAR ON THE AXIS! IN THE WORDS OF PRESIDENT VARGAS, BRAZIL KNOWS IT CAN "COUNT ON THE SYMPATHY AND ADHERENCE OF ALL THE AMERICAN NATIONS WHO ARE ALSO READY TO DEFEND THEIR SOVEREIGNTY."

WINGS OVER MALTA



TURNED DOWN BY AIR FORCES OF TWO COUNTRIES, 20-YEAR OLD GEORGE BEURLING OF VERDUN, QUEBEC, SHOT DOWN 29 ENEMY PLANES OVER MALTA TO BECOME ONE OF THE YOUNGEST ACES OF WORLD WAR II.

VERDUN, QUEBEC, 1941, GEORGE BEURLING'S THOUGHTS WERE NOT ON HIS STUDIES.

FLYING? THAT'S FOR ME! WONDER IF I'M OLD ENOUGH TO GET IN THE AIR FORCE?

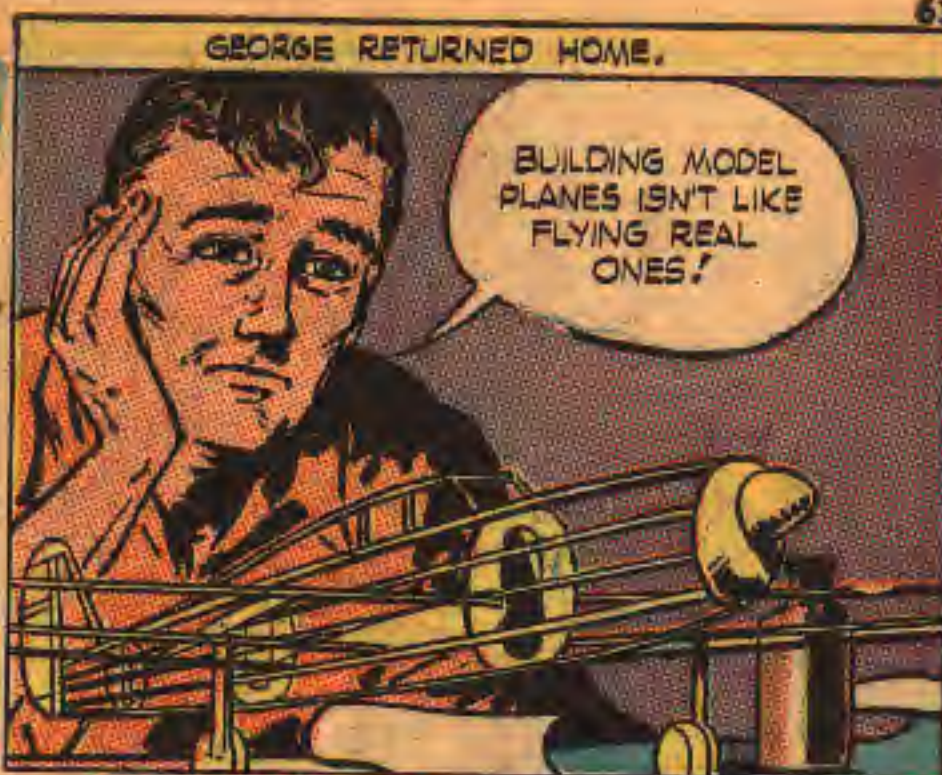


BUT...

SORRY SON, YOU DON'T HAVE THE REQUIRED SUBJECTS.

ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE









CANADIANS MAY WELL BE PROUD OF THEIR YOUTHFUL ACE, TWENTY-YEAR-OLD GEORGE BEURLING, WHO RATES WITH THE GREATEST FLIERS IN ANY OF THE UNITED NATIONS' AIR FORCES.



HOW GOOD IS YOUR MEMORY?

After reading this issue, see if you can answer this quiz. Answers are on pages indicated. Each correct answer counts 5 points.

1. What military school is known to us as "Britain's West Point"? (page 3)
2. How did Montgomery "entertain" the German general? (page 9)
3. What wager did Dorsey Baker, pioneer merchant of the Northwest, make regarding the Pacific Coast Railroad? (page 10)
4. How did the wolves put the Pacific coast's first railroad permanently out of business? (page 15)
5. How did Ezra Lee propose to wreck the British fleet? (page 17)
6. During the Revolution of 1776, how did the "queer fish" enable Gen. Washington to force the British fleet to retreat? (page 18)
7. Why did John Brown raid Harper's Ferry? (page 21)
8. Who led the Union Army to victory at Vicksburg? (page 26)
9. How did Grant prove himself a generous gentleman when Lee surrendered at Appomattox? (page 27)
10. Who was the "unstoppable player" of Carlisle? (page 30)
11. Name three of the five athletic contests that make up the Pentathlon. (page 31)
12. What great Italian artist experimented with parachutes as early as 1495? (page 36)
13. What is the Caterpillar Club? (page 41)
14. Why is Klava Rossuck taking time out from her usual duties as a mother and a wife? (page 43)
15. What part did Homer Lea take in the games played by his friends? (page 48)
16. What prediction did Homer Lea make about the United States and Japan? (page 50)
17. What river in Brazil is the largest in the world? (page 54)
18. Who was the first president of Brazil? (page 58)
19. Over what embattled Mediterranean Island did Canadian Air-Ace Beurling achieve his greatest victories? (page 63)
20. Why was Beurling turned down when he attempted to enlist in the R.C.A.F.? (page 63)

ANSWERS TO "IS IT TRUE?"

(Page 19)

1. No. He was a scout and army guide and served in the Civil War.
2. Yes.
3. No. They are in Egypt.
4. Yes.
5. Yes.
6. No. An old maid is called a spinster.
7. No. It is a figure of speech.
8. No. Fish breathe through gills.
9. Yes.
10. Yes. January 1, 1943 precedes December 25, 1943 on the calendar.
11. No. An astronomer studies the science of heavenly bodies.
12. No. It is a fish.
13. Yes.
14. No. Magellan died on the trip, but his ships were the first to sail around the world.
15. No. Piccadilly is a famous street in London, England.
16. No. Peter Pan is a character from the book by Barrie.
17. No. It is a tree.
18. Yes.
19. No. It is a bird.
20. No. It is a periscope.

TRULY COMIC!



Captain: Have you cleaned the deck and polished the brass?
Sailor: Yes, Sir, and I've swept the horizon with my telescope tool!

Paul Delle, Jr., Floral Park, N. Y.

Tommy was playing in his front yard when an old man walked up to him and said, "Hello, son. Is your mother and father at home?"

Tommy replied, They was here, but they ain't here now.

Man: Such language young man! Where is your grammar?

Tommy: Oh, she's upstairs!

Hurace O. Hughes, Hattiesburg, Miss.

Two men were rooming in a two story apartment on the top floor and couldn't sleep on Sunday morning because the sun shone in the windows and woke them up. They bought some black paint, painted the windows, and lay down to sleep. When they awoke, they realized they would be late for work as it was already past seven o'clock. They rushed to their jobs, and the foreman looked at them in bewilderment. "What's the matter, boss? We're only twenty minutes late, and we'll make that time up." "Twenty minutes!" yelled the foreman. "Where were you Monday and Tuesday?"

Russell Wilkinson, Toronto, Ont.

A whimsical professor trying to emphasize a point in logic asked his class this question: "If the United States is bounded on the East by the Atlantic, on the West by the Pacific Ocean, on

the North by Canada, and on the South by Mexico, how old am I?"

The brighter students sat dumbfounded, but the dullest of them all spoke up and said, "You'd be 44." Amazed that the boy was correct, the professor said, "That is right, young man. But how in the world did you know?"

"That's easy," answered the student. "I have a brother who is half-crazy, and he is 22!"

Leonard Shaw, Chicago, Ill.



Mary: Waiter, I asked for chicken soup, but I don't see the chicken in it!

Waiter: Sorry madam—but did you ever see horses in horse-radish or cats in catsup?

Irene Ruhl, Marshville, Mo.

"One of our little pigs was sick so I gave him some sugar."

"Sugar! What for?"

"Haven't you ever heard of 'sugar-cured ham'?"

Rocanna Rowcliffe, Elba, N. Y.

Johnny: Please teacher, which is right, Bill or William?

Teacher: William, of course, Johnny.

"Well," said Johnny doubtfully, "it seems kind of funny to have to say, 'Look at that sparrow with a worm in its William!'"

Donald Sutherland, Manhasset, L. I.

The stage manager called to the new man working there and said, "Now then, we're all ready. Run up the curtain."

Man: What are you talking about—run up the curtain—think I am a bloomin' squirrel?

Elliott Arthur, New Orleans, La.

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